

Microwave Emission at High Galactic Latitudes

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ABSTRACT

We use the *COBE*⁸ Differential Microwave Radiometers (DMR) 4-year sky maps to model Galactic microwave emission at high latitudes ($|b| > 20^\circ$). Cross-correlation of the DMR maps with Galactic template maps detects fluctuations in the high-latitude microwave sky brightness with the angular variation of the DIRBE far-infrared dust maps and a frequency dependence consistent with a superposition of dust and free-free emission. We find no significant correlations between the DMR maps and various synchrotron templates. On the largest angular scales (e.g., quadrupole), Galactic emission is comparable in amplitude to the anisotropy in the cosmic microwave background (CMB). The CMB quadrupole amplitude, after correction for Galactic emission, has amplitude $Q_{rms} = 10.7 \mu\text{K}$ with random uncertainty $3.6 \mu\text{K}$ and systematic uncertainty $7.1 \mu\text{K}$ from uncertainty in our knowledge of Galactic microwave emission.

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1 Introduction

Diffuse microwave emission at high Galactic latitudes is dominated by the cosmic microwave background and optically thin emission from Galactic synchrotron, dust, and free-free emission. These components may be distinguished by their different spatial morphology and frequency dependence. A number of authors have attempted to separate Galactic and cosmic emission on angular scales above a few degrees (Fixsen, Cheng, & Wilkinson 1983; Lubin et al. 1985; Wright et al. 1991; Bennett et al. 1992; Bensadoun et al. 1993; Gutiérrez de la Cruz et al. 1995; Kogut et al. 1996a). Unfortunately, there is currently no emission component for which both the spatial template and frequency dependence are well determined. Synchrotron radiation dominates radio-frequency surveys, but the spectral index β_{synch} steepens with frequency and has poorly-determined spatial variation (Banday & Wolfendale 1991, Bennett et al. 1992). Dust emission dominates far-infrared surveys, but its spectral behavior at longer wavelengths depends on the shape, composition, and size distribution of the dust grains, which are poorly known (Désert, Boulanger, & Puget 1990). Free-free emission from electron-ion interactions has well-determined spectral behavior but lacks an obvious template map: free-free emission never dominates the high-latitude radio sky, while other tracers of the warm ionized interstellar medium (WIM) such as H α emission, pulsar dispersion measure, or NII emission are either incomplete, undersampled, or noise-dominated (Reynolds 1992, Bennett et al. 1992, 1994). At least one component of the WIM is spatially correlated with the far-infrared dust distribution on large angular scales (Kogut et al. 1996a); however, the fraction of the total WIM contained in the correlated component has substantial uncertainties.

The ratio of cosmic to Galactic emission depends on the angular scale and observing frequency. CMB anisotropies have antenna temperature⁹

$$\Delta T_A = \frac{x^2 e^x}{(e^x - 1)^2} \Delta T$$

where $x = h\nu/kT$ and T is thermodynamic temperature. The angular power spectrum of CMB anisotropy is well described by a power-law spectrum $P_{\text{CMB}} \propto \frac{1}{\ell(\ell+1)}$ (Górski et al. 1996), while Galactic emission follows a steeper law $P_{\text{Gal}} \propto \ell^{-3}$ (Gautier et al. 1992, Kogut et al. 1996a), where $\ell \propto \theta^{-1}$ is the spherical harmonic multipole order. Galactic emission reaches a minimum near 60 GHz. In this Letter we derive models of Galactic emission based on Galaxy-dominated sky surveys and the 4-year *COBE* DMR microwave maps.

⁹ Antenna temperature T_A is defined in terms of the power received per unit bandwidth, $P = kT_A\Delta\nu$ where k is Boltzmann's constant. It is related to the intensity I_ν by $I_\nu = 2kT_A \frac{\nu^2}{c^2}$.

2 Techniques

We use three main techniques to identify Galactic emission in the high-latitude portion of the DMR maps, here defined as the region $|b| > 20^\circ$ with custom cutouts at Orion and Ophiuchus (Bennett et al. 1996). A “subtraction” method (Bennett et al. 1992) scales Galactic template maps to the DMR frequencies using spectral indices fixed by external observations. A “linear combination” method corrects the DMR maps for synchrotron and dust emission using the subtraction technique, then fits the corrected maps pixel by pixel for the CMB and free-free amplitude (the components whose spatial distribution is least known). A “cross-correlation” method cross-correlates the DMR maps with fixed Galactic template maps without specifying any *a priori* frequency dependence. Each method has certain deficiencies. The subtraction method suffers from uncertainty in the frequency extrapolation. There are fewer DMR frequencies (3) than microwave emission components (4); consequently, the linear combination method still requires correction for dust and synchrotron emission. The linear combination method identifies signals with a specified frequency dependence, but at the cost of a significant increase in the instrument noise; the increase in noise can be larger than the amplitude of the Galactic emission the technique is designed to identify. The cross-correlation technique removes all emission traced by the given template, regardless of frequency dependence, but does not remove emission uncorrelated with the template.

The cross-correlation technique has been used to identify all three Galactic emission components in the DMR sky maps (Kogut et al. 1996a). We assume that the DMR maps are a superposition of CMB emission and Galactic emission traced by a Galactic template,

$$\Delta T^{\text{DMR}} = \Delta T^{\text{CMB}} + \alpha \Delta X^{\text{Gal}},$$

where ΔT^{DMR} is the antenna temperature in a DMR map, ΔX^{Gal} is the intensity of the Galactic template map (not necessarily in temperature units) and the coefficient α converts the units of the Galactic map to antenna temperature at the DMR frequency. Figure 1 shows the templates used in this Letter.

We estimate the correlation coefficient α by minimizing

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{a,b} (D - \alpha G)_a (\mathbf{M}^{-1})_{ab} (D - \alpha G)_b, \quad (1)$$

where D is a linear function of the DMR map temperatures, G is a similar function for the Galactic template map, and \mathbf{M} is the covariance matrix of the function D . We use three linear functions in equation 1: the 2-point cross-correlation (Kogut et al. 1996a), the temperature in each map pixel (Hinshaw et al. 1996), or Fourier components in an orthogonal basis (Górski et al. 1996) and obtain good agreement between the methods.

Uncertainties in the coefficients α are dominated by chance alignment of the CMB anisotropy with features in the template maps. Since the relative orientation

of the CMB and Galactic template is unchanged with frequency, we may reduce the effects of chance alignment by simultaneously fitting a Galactic template to all three DMR frequencies, and requiring that the CMB pattern be invariant in thermodynamic units. Equation 1 is easily generalized to fit multiple DMR frequencies and template maps simultaneously.

3 Galactic Microwave Emission

Bennett et al. (1992) review several models of synchrotron emission based on radio surveys at 408 MHz (Haslam et al. 1981) and 1420 MHz (Reich & Reich 1988). The simplest model uses the 408 MHz survey scaled to higher frequencies using a spatially invariant spectral index $\beta_{\text{synch}} = -2.75$. A more realistic model uses the 1420 and 408 MHz surveys to trace spatial variation in β_{synch} and accounts for the steepening synchrotron spectrum at higher frequencies using local measurements of the cosmic-ray electron energy spectrum. Both models have deficiencies and it is possible that neither template accurately reflects the distribution of synchrotron emission at millimeter wavelengths, regardless of overall normalization. The large-scale structure in the 408 MHz survey at $|b| > 20^\circ$ is dominated by the North Polar Spur (Loop I), but this region has steeper spectral index and becomes increasingly less important at higher frequencies. (Lawson et al. 1987). The cosmic-ray model accounts for both the spatial variation in β_{synch} and the steepening of the spectrum at higher frequencies, but the spatial structure of this model at the DMR frequencies is dominated by regions of flattened index at the southern declination limits of the 1420 MHz survey. The DMR maps show no evidence for such bright regions, suggestive instead of sidelobe pickup in the 1420 MHz survey.

We obtain an upper limit to synchrotron emission traced by either template by comparing the synchrotron templates to the DMR 4-year sky maps. We convolve the templates with the DMR beam profile, combine the A and B channels at each DMR frequency to form the (A+B)/2 sum, excise the Galactic plane, and cross-correlate each synchrotron template with the DMR 31.5, 53, and 90 GHz maps. Table 1 shows the fitted correlation coefficients for the two synchrotron templates derived using Eq. 1 in a maximum-likelihood analysis with the “brute-force” pixel basis (Hinshaw et al. 1996). We evaluate the three DMR frequencies simultaneously, $T^{\text{DMR}} = [T_{31}, T_{53}, T_{90}]$, and account for possible cross-talk between the synchrotron and far-IR templates by fitting both templates simultaneously. The uncertainties in Table 1 include the errors from instrument noise, chance alignments, and cross-talk with the far-IR template. We find no statistically significant correlation between the DMR sky maps and either the 408 MHz survey or the cosmic-ray synchrotron model. Table 2 shows the *rms* fluctuations in antenna temperature corresponding to the fitted coefficients. We adopt an upper limit $\Delta T_{\text{synch}} < 11 \mu\text{K}$ (95% confidence) at 31.5 GHz for emission traced by either synchrotron template.

We also fit the DMR maps to the far-infrared dust emission traced by the

DIRBE 140 μm map, from which a model of zodiacal dust emission has been removed (Reach et al. 1995). Tables 1 and 2 show a statistically significant correlation between the DMR maps and the DIRBE 140 μm map; we obtain nearly identical results using the DIRBE maps at 100 or 240 μm . The frequency dependence of the inferred signal in the DMR maps is well described by a superposition of dust and free-free emission: $\beta = -1.7 \pm 0.8$ between 31.5 and 53 GHz, and $\beta = 0.1 \pm 0.9$ between 53 and 90 GHz. We fit the *rms* DMR and DIRBE signals to emission models of the form $I_\nu = \tau(\frac{\nu}{\nu_0})^\beta B_\nu(T) + A_{\text{ff}}(\frac{\nu}{\nu_0})^{-0.15}$, i.e., a model with a single dust population with enhanced submillimeter emissivity plus free-free emission. The best fit occurs for dust temperature $T = 20.0^{+2.5}_{-4.0}$ K and emissivity $\beta = 1.5^{+1.1}_{-0.3}$, with opacity $\tau = (1.2^{+0.7}_{-0.4}) \times 10^{-5}$ (68% confidence).

Table 3 shows the *rms* amplitude of the inferred dust and free-free signals, including the quadrupole, in the high-latitude portion of the DMR maps. Note that the DMR 53 and 90 GHz channels have nearly equal Galactic emission from spatially correlated dust and free-free emission. The amplitude of this emission, however, is small compared to the *rms* CMB anisotropy (Banday et al. 1996). The correlation technique, however, is insensitive to free-free emission whose spatial distribution is uncorrelated with the Galactic template maps. We place upper limits on the amplitude of the uncorrelated component by analyzing a linear combination of the DMR maps designed to be sensitive to free-free emission (spectral index -2.15 in units of antenna temperature), cancel emission with a CMB spectrum, and minimize instrument noise:

$$T_{\text{ff}} = 0.37 \times \frac{1}{2}(T'_{31A} \pm T'_{31B}) + 0.02 \times \frac{1}{2}(T'_{53A} \pm T'_{53B}) - 0.47 \times \frac{1}{2}(T'_{90A} \pm T'_{90B}), \quad (2)$$

where T' is the antenna temperature in each DMR channel after subtracting synchrotron and dust emission using the cosmic-ray and DIRBE models, respectively. We smooth the maps with a 7° FWHM Gaussian to further reduce the effects of noise, remove a fitted monopole and dipole, and compare the variance of the (A+B)/2 sum map to the (A-B)/2 difference map. We obtain an estimate for the fluctuations in free-free antenna temperature at 53 GHz from all sources, $\Delta T_{\text{ff}} = 5.2 \pm 4.2 \mu\text{K}$. This value compares well with the correlated component at the same effective smoothing, $\Delta T_{\text{ff}} = 6.8 \pm 2.6 \mu\text{K}$.

We test for free-free emission uncorrelated with the far-IR dust by removing the correlated free-free component from each DMR channel prior to forming the free-free linear combination (Eq. 2). A power spectrum analysis of this uncorrelated free-free map shows no statistically significant signal at any $\ell < 30$. The correlated component must form at least 1/3 of the total free-free emission (95% confidence) and may form the bulk of this emission.

4 Quadrupole

The quadrupole in Galactic coordinates is defined by five components Q_i ,

$$\begin{aligned} Q(l, b) = & Q_1(3 \sin^2 b - 1)/2 + Q_2 \sin 2b \cos l + Q_3 \sin 2b \sin l + \\ & Q_4 \cos^2 b \cos 2l + Q_5 \cos^2 b \sin 2l, \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

with *rms* amplitude

$$Q_{rms}^2 = \frac{4}{15} \left[\frac{3}{4} Q_1^2 + Q_2^2 + Q_3^2 + Q_4^2 + Q_5^2 \right].$$

Note that Q_{rms} refers to the *rms* amplitude of the observed quadrupole in the sky, while Q_{rms-PS} is a model parameter giving the CMB power spectrum normalization; the two are equivalent only in an ensemble average over many Hubble volumes.

The quadrupole represents one order of a spherical harmonic expansion of the temperature distribution in the sky maps. After the low-latitude portion of the sky map is excised, the spherical harmonic functions $Y_{\ell m}(l, b)$ are no longer orthogonal on the remaining sky pixels, allowing power from higher orders to be aliased into the quadrupole (and vice versa). Górski et al. (1996) address this problem by constructing a new set of basis functions orthogonal on the cut sky. In what follows, we retain the more familiar quadrupole basis and minimize aliasing by including a theoretical model for the higher orders ($\ell \geq 3$) of the power spectrum. We derive the quadrupole parameters Q_i by minimizing

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{ab} \left[T^{\text{DMR}} - \left(\sum_i Q_i B_i \right) \right]_a (\mathbf{M}^{-1})_{ab} \left[T^{\text{DMR}} - \left(\sum_i Q_i B_i \right) \right]_b, \quad (4)$$

in a pixel-based maximum-likelihood analysis, where B_i are the quadrupole basis functions from Eq. 3 and the 954×954 covariance matrix \mathbf{M} is defined for a scale-invariant CMB model (*cf.* Eq. 1 of Hinshaw et al. 1996). That is, we describe the high-latitude sky as a fixed quadrupole pattern plus a statistical distribution of higher-order power given by a Harrison-Zel'dovich power spectrum. Table 4 shows the quadrupole parameters Q_i fitted to the high-latitude portion of the (A+B)/2 sky maps, without Galactic correction. The quadrupole parameters for the Galactic template maps are also shown. The Q_i in Table 4 are for a single Galactic cut. We have repeated the analysis for a variety of cut angles. Not unexpectedly, the fitted values show a strong dependence on latitude $|b|$: the Galaxy is a strong quadrupolar source (see, e.g., Table 2 of Bennett et al. 1992).

We derive the CMB quadrupole parameters as follows. We correct each DMR map for the second-order Doppler quadrupole $[Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4, Q_5] = [0.9, -0.2, -2.0, -0.9, 0.2]$ μK thermodynamic temperature caused by the motion of the solar system with respect to the CMB rest frame. We remove Galactic emission using the synchrotron and DIRBE templates by adding terms to Eq. 4 of the form $\alpha_{\text{synch}} X^{\text{synch}} \nu^{\beta_{\text{synch}}} + \alpha_{\text{dust}} X^{\text{DIRBE}} \nu^{\beta_{\text{dust}}} + \alpha_{\text{ff}} X^{\text{DIRBE}} \nu^{\beta_{\text{ff}}}$ and fitting

the three DMR frequencies simultaneously. Rather than fitting the synchrotron and DIRBE templates to each map independently, we use the results of §3 and fit the templates to all three frequencies simultaneously, specifying the spectral behavior via the spectral indices. The free parameters in the fit are thus the synchrotron, dust, and free-free amplitude coefficients plus 5 CMB quadrupole parameters. Using the nominal values $\beta_{\text{synch}} = -3$, $\beta_{\text{dust}} = +2$, and $\beta_{\text{ff}} = -2.15$, we derive correlation coefficients $\alpha_{\text{synch}} = 0.27 \pm 0.20 \mu\text{K K}^{-1}$, $\alpha_{\text{dust}} = 0.70 \pm 0.27 \mu\text{K MJy}^{-1} \text{ sr}$, and $\alpha_{\text{ff}} = 2.07 \pm 0.49 \mu\text{K MJy}^{-1} \text{ sr}$ antenna temperature at 53 GHz. Table 5 shows the quadrupole parameters for the corrected CMB map. The uncertainties are dominated by aliasing of higher-order power and to a lesser extent by instrument noise and chance alignments in the template map correlation.

The statistical uncertainties in Table 5 do not include the systematic effects associated with the choice of template map and spectral index. We evaluate the uncertainties associated with the Galactic spectral indices by repeating the analysis as β_{synch} is varied over the range [-2.8, -3.3] and β_{dust} over the range [1.1, 2.0]. The differences are small, typically 10% of the statistical uncertainty.

We estimate the uncertainties associated with the Galactic model techniques by repeating the CMB quadrupole analysis for several different Galactic models. The simplest change is to substitute the cosmic-ray synchrotron template for the 408 MHz survey. Synchrotron emission is faint at millimeter wavelengths, and both templates have similar quadrupoles: the estimated CMB quadrupole does not depend sensitively on the choice of synchrotron template or spectral index. Similarly, we may estimate the dust emission by fitting the DIRBE dust emission or scaling the FIRAS dust model (Wright et al. 1991). Differences between these techniques are small and are dominated by differences in the FIRAS and DMR beam shape.

We estimate the systematic uncertainty in the free-free correction by comparing the quadrupole results using the DMR/DIRBE cross-correlation to the results using the linear combination technique. For the latter analysis, we correct the DMR channel maps for dust and synchrotron emission and form a weighted CMB map using weights -0.195, -0.115, +0.394, +0.286, +0.313, and +0.507 for antenna temperature in channels 31A, 31B, 53A, 53B, 90A, and 90B, respectively. This linear combination cancels free-free emission (spectral index -2.15) with maximal instrument sensitivity, although the resulting noise is still 35% larger than the noise using the cross-correlation technique. We then fit for the CMB quadrupole using Eq. 4, replacing T^{DMR} with the linear combination CMB map. The results are in agreement with the less noisy cross-correlation technique (Table 5). Systematic effects associated with changing the Galactic model are typically 1–5 μK , smaller than the statistical uncertainties.

The largest systematic effect is the choice of Galactic cut angle. Table 5 shows the quadrupole parameters fitted for the regions $|b| > 15^\circ$, $|b| > 20^\circ$ with custom cutouts, and $|b| > 30^\circ$. The changes in the fitted parameters as the Galactic cut is varied are comparable to the statistical uncertainties, and limit our ability to estimate the CMB quadrupole. Since statistically significant CMB features exist in

the region $15^\circ < b < 30^\circ$, the change in fitted quadrupole parameters as the Galactic cut is varied reflects aliasing of higher-order power as well as potential shortcomings in the Galactic models. We estimate the uncertainty from this effect as half of the spread in each quadrupole component. The bottom row of Table 5 shows the combined systematic uncertainty in each component, given by the quadrature sum of the separate uncertainties in spectral index, model techniques, Galactic cut, and the instrument systematic artifacts (Kogut et al. 1996b).

The *rms* quadrupole amplitude, Q_{rms} , provides a convenient description of the CMB quadrupole. Since it is quadratic in the map temperatures, both instrument noise and aliasing will bias Q_{rms} toward higher values (the individual parameters Q_i are unbiased estimators, but provide a less concise characterization). We correct for the bias by the quadrature subtraction of the *rms* statistical uncertainty: $Q_{rms}^2 = \frac{4}{15}(\sum_i \eta_i Q_i^2 - \sum \eta_i \delta Q_i^2)$, where Q_i are the central values of the fitted quadrupole components, δQ_i are the statistical uncertainties, and η_i are the weights [$\frac{3}{4}, 1, 1, 1, 1$] (Gould 1993). Column 6 of Table 5 (labelled Q_{rms}) shows this de-biased estimate for the CMB *rms* quadrupole amplitude.

Figure 2 shows the CMB maps from the cross-correlation and linear combination techniques. Since the cross-correlation technique has the smallest random errors, we adopt the CMB quadrupole parameters from this model using the custom Galactic cut as a compromise between sky coverage and Galactic foreground emission. The resulting estimate of the CMB quadrupole amplitude is $Q_{rms} = 10.7 \pm 3.6 \pm 7.1 \mu\text{K}$, where errors represent the statistical and systematic uncertainties, respectively. Allowing for the systematic uncertainty in the Galactic correction, the CMB quadrupole amplitude lies in the range [4, 28] μK at 95% confidence.

5 Conclusions

We use the DMR 4-year sky maps and Galaxy-dominated sky surveys to derive models of high-latitude Galactic and cosmic emission. Cross-correlation of the DMR maps with either the 408 MHz synchrotron survey or a cosmic-ray synchrotron model with spatially varying spectral index yield upper limits to fluctuations in synchrotron emission traced by either template, $\Delta T_{\text{synch}} < 11 \mu\text{K}$ at 31.5 GHz. If either template correctly reproduces the angular distribution of synchrotron emission, the amplitude normalization requires a mean spectral index between 408 MHz and 31.5 GHz of $\beta_{\text{synch}} < -3.0$.

Cross-correlation of the DMR maps with the dust-dominated DIRBE 140 μm survey shows a statistically significant signal whose dependence on DMR frequency is consistent with a superposition of dust and free-free emission. The *rms* amplitude of the dust signal is $\Delta T_{\text{dust}} = 2.7 \pm 1.3 \mu\text{K}$ antenna temperature at 53 GHz, including the contribution from the quadrupolar component. The dust emission may be used to place a lower limit to enhanced emissivity from 140 μm to 6 mm wavelength: $\beta_{\text{dust}} > 1.1$ at 95% confidence.

We detect a component of the free-free emission from the warm ionized interstellar medium that is correlated with the far-infrared dust on angular scales of 7° or larger. The amplitude of the correlated free-free emission, $\Delta T_{\text{ff}} = 7.1 \pm 1.7 \mu\text{K}$, compares well with the total free-free emission from all sources, derived from a linear combination of the DMR maps. The correlated component must form at least 1/3 of the total free-free emission (95% confidence) and may form the bulk of this emission.

Galactic emission is comparable to the CMB on quadrupolar scales and is counter-aligned to the CMB in several of the 5 components. The fitted quadrupole in the uncorrected DMR maps is not representative of the CMB quadrupole in either amplitude or phase. Analysis of the DMR maps that includes the quadrupole anisotropy should correct for Galactic emission, using either the cross-correlation technique or the noisier linear combination technique. We correct the DMR channel maps for Galactic emission using both techniques and estimate the quadrupole components using a maximum likelihood analysis. The random statistical uncertainties are dominated by the aliasing of power from higher multipole orders. After correction for the positive bias from noise and aliasing, the CMB quadrupole amplitude observed at high latitude is $Q_{rms} = 10.7 \pm 3.6 \pm 7.1 \mu\text{K}$, where the uncertainties represent the random statistical errors and systematic modelling errors, respectively.

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Table 1: DMR-Galactic Template Cross-Correlation Coefficients^a

DMR Frequency (GHz)	408 MHz ^b	Galactic Template	
		Cosmic-Ray ^c	DIRBE 140 μm ^d
31.5	1.17 ± 1.13	1.88 ± 1.24	6.37 ± 1.52
53	0.69 ± 0.77	0.88 ± 0.81	2.69 ± 1.06
90	-0.14 ± 0.74	0.43 ± 2.55	2.79 ± 1.01

^a The antenna temperature at each DMR frequency of Galactic emission traced by template map X is $T_A = \alpha X \mu\text{K}$. Results are quoted for $|b| > 20^\circ$ with custom cutouts at Orion and Ophiuchus (see text).

^b α has units $\mu\text{K K}^{-1}$ since the template map has units K.

^c α is dimensionless since the template map has units μK .

^d α has units $\mu\text{K (MJy/sr)}^{-1}$ since the template map has units MJy sr⁻¹.

Table 2: RMS Galactic Signal in DMR Sky Maps (μK)^a

DMR Frequency (GHz)	408 MHz	Galactic Template	
		Cosmic-Ray	DIRBE 140 μm
31.5	5.7 ± 5.5	8.4 ± 5.5	22.7 ± 5.4
53	3.4 ± 3.7	3.9 ± 3.6	9.6 ± 3.8
90	-0.7 ± 3.6	1.9 ± 3.5	10.0 ± 3.6

^a Units are antenna temperature. The quadrupole has not been subtracted. Results are quoted for $|b| > 20^\circ$ with custom cutouts at Orion and Ophiuchus.

Table 3: Correlated Dust and Free-Free Antenna Temperature^a

DMR Frequency (GHz)	<i>rms</i> Free-Free (μK)	<i>rms</i> Dust (μK)
31.5	21.7 ± 5.2	0.9 ± 0.4
53	7.1 ± 1.7	2.7 ± 1.3
90	2.3 ± 0.5	7.6 ± 3.6

^a Results are quoted for $|b| > 20^\circ$ with custom cutouts at Orion and Ophiuchus.

Table 4: Quadrupole Components in Uncorrected Sky Maps^a

Map	Q_1	Q_2	Q_3	Q_4	Q_5	Q_{rms}^b
DMR 31.5 GHz ^c	-29.1 ± 12.6	27.0 ± 6.5	2.1 ± 6.0	4.5 ± 12.8	5.3 ± 11.9	15.6 ± 5.4
DMR 53 GHz ^c	-13.6 ± 7.7	9.5 ± 2.7	3.8 ± 2.2	0.0 ± 8.2	3.5 ± 7.6	4.4 ± 3.3
DMR 90 GHz ^c	0.2 ± 8.5	5.0 ± 3.5	6.7 ± 2.8	-0.3 ± 9.1	3.2 ± 8.3	0.0 ± 3.0
408 MHz ^d	-6.6	3.4	-0.1	5.5	-1.8	4.5
Cosmic-ray ^e	-5.2	2.7	-1.3	5.9	-1.3	4.2
DIRBE 140 μm ^f	-6.6	1.7	-1.3	1.9	-1.4	3.4

^a All results for high-latitude sky, $|b| > 20^\circ$ with custom cutouts at Orion and Ophiuchus. The Doppler quadrupole has been removed from the DMR maps.

^b Q_{rms} has been corrected for statistical bias (see text).

^c Map units are μK thermodynamic temperature.

^d Map units are K antenna temperature.

^e Map units are μK antenna temperature.

^f Map units are MJy sr^{-1} .

 Table 5: CMB Quadrupole Parameters (μK)^a

Q_1	Q_2	Q_3	Q_4	Q_5	Q_{rms}^b
Cross-Correlation					
27.9 ± 4.7	0.6 ± 1.7	10.8 ± 1.6	-14.9 ± 4.9	19.0 ± 4.6	18.0 ± 2.3
19.0 ± 7.4	2.1 ± 2.5	8.9 ± 2.0	-10.4 ± 8.0	11.7 ± 7.3	10.7 ± 3.6
31.2 ± 12.5	1.0 ± 3.7	12.8 ± 3.7	-9.3 ± 13.4	-0.6 ± 12.1	11.7 ± 5.8
Linear Combination					
24.3 ± 6.2	-2.1 ± 3.1	8.3 ± 2.9	-18.9 ± 6.2	6.8 ± 6.0	14.6 ± 3.1
20.0 ± 9.1	-2.6 ± 3.9	9.4 ± 3.3	-6.1 ± 9.6	3.5 ± 8.8	7.1 ± 4.2
35.1 ± 14.3	-3.2 ± 4.9	12.7 ± 4.8	-7.1 ± 15.4	6.6 ± 13.8	12.2 ± 6.8
Systematic and Model Uncertainties					
8.2	2.7	2.5	4.3	10.4	7.1

^a The three rows for each technique refer to Galactic cut $|b| > 15^\circ$, $|b| > 20^\circ$ with custom cutouts, and $|b| > 30^\circ$. The Doppler quadrupole has been removed from the maps. Results are in thermodynamic temperature.

^b Q_{rms} has been corrected for statistical bias (see text).

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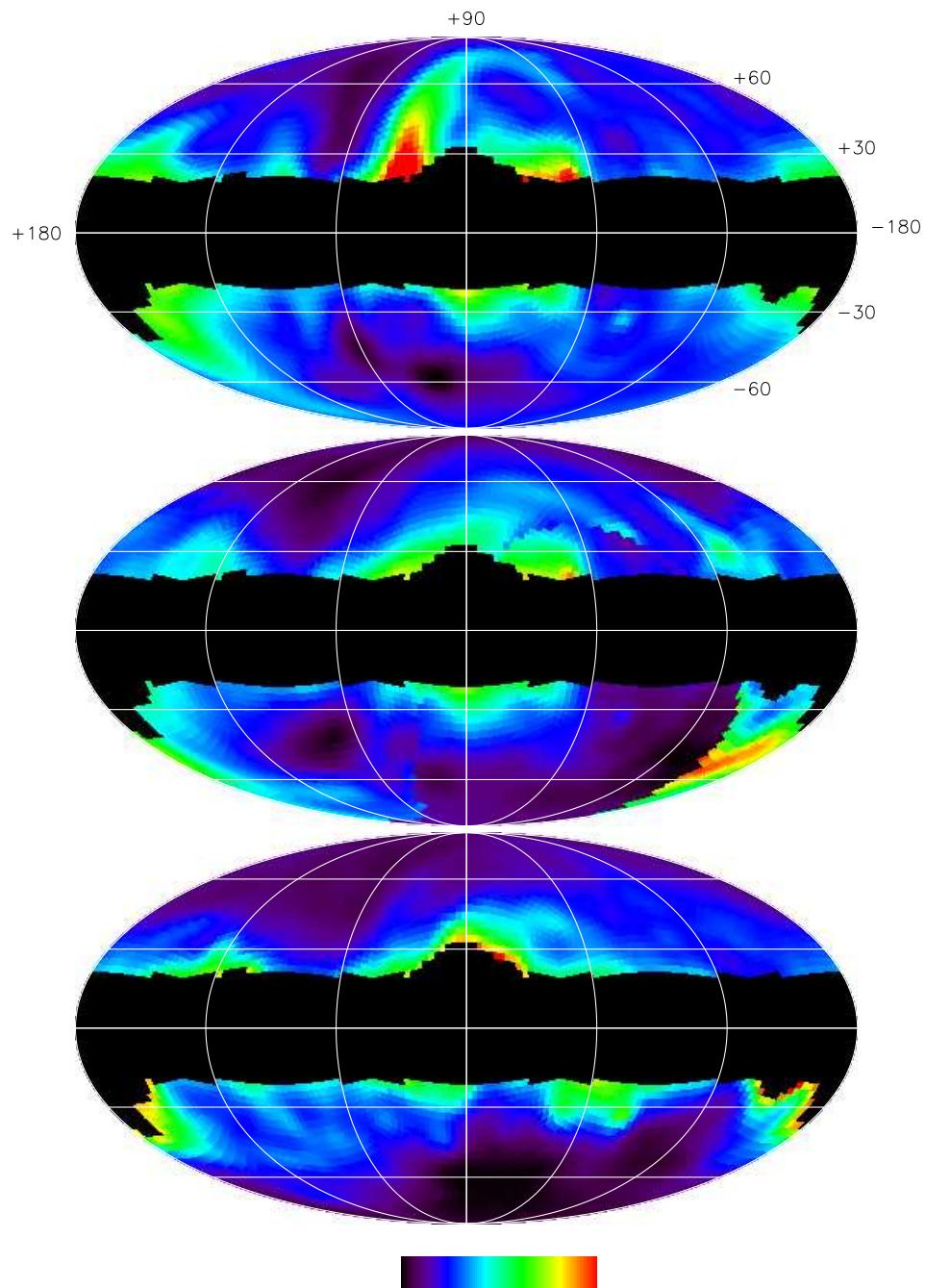


Figure 1: Galactic templates used in cross-correlation technique, Mollweide projection in Galactic coordinates. (Top) Synchrotron-dominated 408 MHz survey. (Middle) Cosmic-ray synchrotron model. (Bottom) Dust-dominated DIRBE 140 μm survey. Each template has been convolved with the DMR beam pattern and is masked to show only data at high Galactic latitudes¹³; a fitted monopole and dipole have been removed from the maps in this panel. The plots are for $f = 0.001$ and $\sigma_0 = 6$.

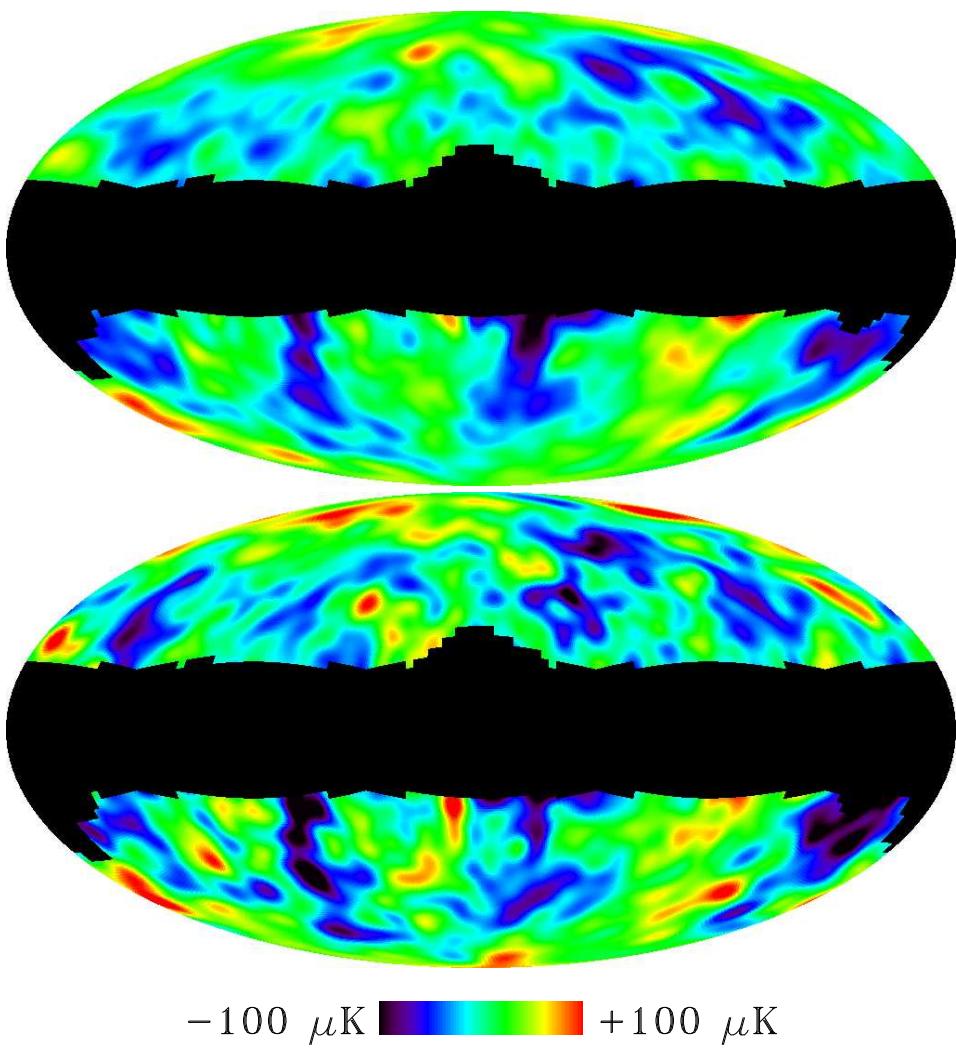


Figure 2: Maps of the cosmic microwave background anisotropy after removing Galactic emission, Mollweide projection in Galactic coordinates. (Top) Cross-correlation technique. (Bottom) Linear combination technique. The Galactic models do not attempt to fit the Galactic plane; only the high-latitude portion is shown. The cross-correlation technique represents a compromise between removing faint Galactic emission and minimizing noise contamination.